REMARKS

Claims 1-31 are pending. Claims 1-3 and 11-13 are withdrawn. Claims 4-10 and 14-31 are rejected.

Applicants have amended claims 4-10, 14, 15 AND 17-29; canceled claims 1-3 and 11-13 without prejudice.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 4-10 and 14-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 ¶1 as not enabled, Specifically, there is no enablement for glucose derivatives of R groups and derivatives of polyamino carboxylic acid.

Applicants have amended claims 4 and 14 to delete "derivatives of R groups" and to recite "glucose" and have amended claims 7 and 19 to delete "or its derivatives" and to recite "a polyamino carboxylic acid." Applicants respectfully assert that the claims are allowable and request that the rejection be withdrawn

Claims 4-10 and 14-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 ¶2 as indefinite, specifically, the variable R in the phrase "glucose derivatives of R groups" is not defined.

As previously stated Applicants have amended claims 4 and 14 to delete the phrase "derivatives of R groups." Applicants respectfully assert that the claims are allowable and request that the rejection be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, applicants submit that the claims are patentable, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. No fees are known to be due at this time. However, should any fees or surcharges be deemed necessary, the Examiner has authorization to charge fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

The Examiner is invited to contact applicant's undersigned representative with any questions.

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